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Westminster, May 15.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Mr. Sanderson, Deputy Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to,

An Act for granting to His Majesty the Sum of Three Hundred and Seventy Thousand Pounds, to be raised by Loans or Exchequer-Bills, to be charged on the Surplus Monies of the Duties on Coals and Culm, granted by an Act of the Fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign for a Term of Years, and since made perpetual.

An Act for allowing further Time to Persons on board the Fleet, or beyond the Seas in His Majesty's Service, to qualify themselves for the legal Enjoyment of Offices and Employments, and for indemnifying such Persons as have omitted to qualify themselves within the Time limited for that Purpose, and for the better ascertaining such Time.

An Act for the free Importation of Cochineal during the Time therein limited.

An Act for inlarging the Times for hearing and determining Claims by the Trustees for raising Money upon the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others, and for Relief of the Creditors of Robert Knight, Esq; late Cashire to the said Company, and for Relief of Persons who have entred Claims for contingent Debts and Intumbrances, and for giving Time to Ralph Gulston and other Creditors of Edward Gibbon, Esq; to enter Claims before the said Trustees for a Debt spetified in the Inventory of the said Edward Gibbon, and for impowering the Trustees to dismiss Claims for want of Prosecution, and for applying the Produce of the said Estates for the Benefit of the South-Sea Company.

An Act for Sale of such of the forfeited Estates in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland as remain unsold and are vested in the Crown, and for determining such Claims on the said Estates as having been duly entered remain undetermined.

An Act for the better Regulation of the Woollen Manufactures, and for preventing Disputes among the Persons concerned therein, and for limiting a Time for prosecuting for the Forfeiture appointed by an Act of the Twelfth Year of His Majesty's Reign, in case of Payment of the Workmens Wages in any other Manner than in Money.

An Act for the better Regulation of the Linnen and Hempen Manufactures in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland.

An Act for encouraging and promoting Fisheries and other Manufactures and Improvements in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland.

An Act for continuing the Laws therein mentioned relating to Copper Bars exported, and for better preventing Frauds committed by Bankrupts, and for searching Drugs and Compositions for Medicines.

An Act for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Dying Trade.

An Act for repairing the Road from Cranford-Bridge in the County of Middlesex, to that End of Maidenhead Bridge which lies in the County of Bucks.

An Act for the more effectual amending the Highways leading from Royston in the County of Hertford, to Wansford-Bridge in the County of Huntingdon.

An Act for improving the Navigation of the River Owze in the County of York.

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[Price Two Pence.]

An Act for explaining and amending an Act passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of his late Majesty King William the Third, Entituled, An Act for making Navigable the Rivers Wye and Lug, in the County of Hereford, and for making the same more effectual.

An Act for establishing a certain Provision for maintaining the Curate of the Parish of St. Catherine Cree Church alias Christ Church, London, and for repairing and supporting the Chancel of the said Parish Church.

And to 10 private Bills.

After which His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Acquainted you at the opening of this Session with the Dangers which threatned this Kingdom, and the Peace and Liberties of Europe. I am now to return you my Thanks for the Zeal and Dispatch with which you have proceeded upon the several Points I then recommended to your Care, for the Confidence you have reposed in me, and for the Assurances you have given me of your Support and Assistance in Vindication of my Honour, and in the Maintenance and Defence of the undoubted Rights and Privileges of this Nation, so openly and notoriously invaded and attacked.

The Siege of Gibraltar proves beyond all dispute the End and Design of the Engagements entered into by the Emperour and the King of Spain; but the Preparations I had made for the Defence of that Place, and the Bravery of my Troops, will, I doubt not, convince them of the Rashness and Folly of that Undertaking. However the Love of Peace has hitherto prevailed upon me, even under this high Provocation, to suspend in some measure my Resentments; and instead of having immediate Recourse to Arms, and demanding of my Allies that Assistance which they are engaged and ready to give me, I have concurred with the most Christian King and the States General in making such Overtures of Accommodation, as must convince all the World of the Uprightness of our Intentions, and of our sincere Disposition to Peace, and demonstrate to whose Ambition and Thirst of Power the Calamities of a War are to be imputed, if these just and reasonable Propositions are rejected. In the mean Time I have the Pleasure to acquaint you, that the Crown of Sweden has acceded to the Treaty of Hanover, and that the Convention between me, his most Christian Majesty, and the King of Denmark, is actually signed.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Vigour and Chearfulness you have shown in raising so effectually, and upon such easy Terms, the necessary Supplies for the Service of the current Year, are not only Instances of your Zeal and Affection to me, but demonstrate the established Credit, Power, and Strength of this Kingdom.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It would have been a great Satisfaction to me, if before your Separation I had been able to speak to you more positively, and with greater Certainty, upon the present Posture and State of Affairs; but as you have now dispatched the publick Business, and as the Season of the Year requires your going into your respective Countries, I chose rather to put an End to this Session, than to keep you any longer together unnecessarily. The Provisions you have made, and the perfect Union and Harmony between me and my Allies, will, I hope, enable me, by the Divine Assistance, either to withstand and defeat the Designs of our Enemies, if their Conduct shall bring upon us the Necessity of a War; or to improve the Blessings of Peace, if Peace can with Justice, Honour, and Security be obtained.

Then the Lord Chancellour by His Majesty's Command, said,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That this Parliament be Prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty seventh Day of June next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly Prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty seventh Day of June next.

St. James's, May 16.

The following humble Address of the Bailiffs, Recorder, Capital and Inferior Burgesses, and all the rest of the ancient Corporation of Aldeburgh, in the County of Suffolk, has been presented to His Majesty by Samuel Low and Walter Plomer, Esqrs; their Representatives in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Grafton Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Suffolk. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Bailiffs, Recorder, Capital and Inferior Burgesses, and all the rest of your ancient Corporation of Aldeburgh, in the County of Suffolk.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your faithful Subjects, take this Opportunity with great Pleasure and Chearfulness to return your Majesty our humble and hearty Thanks for your paternal Care over us and all your Subjects, in preserving our Religion, Laws, Liberties and Trade.

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And we ſhould think ourſelves unworthy of the ineſtimable Bleſſings we enjoy under your Majeſty's happy Government, as well as Enemies to ourſelves, if we did not expreſs our juſt Reſentments and Abhorrence of the Affronts, Injuries, Inſults and Hoſtilities that have lately been offered to your Majeſty, your Crown and Dignity, by foreign Powers from whom more Gratitude might have been expected; and more eſpecially in their endeavouring and perſiſting to dethrone your ſacred Majeſty, the great Defender of our Faith, and to place a Popiſh Pretender upon the Throne of Great Britain, contrary to our Religion and all our Laws.

We therefore humbly beg Leave to make a Tender of our Aſſurances to ſtand by your Majeſty and all your Royal Progeny with all that is dear and valuable to us, againſt all your ſecret and open Enemies.

And we heartily pray, that the timely and vigorous Meaſures taken by your Majeſty, aſſiſted by a wiſe and prudent Miniſtry, and ſupported by a ſteady and affectionate Parliament, may totally overturn and confound the Devices of all your Enemies both at Home and Abroad.

And may you and your Royal Family enjoy the Crown of Great Britain in full Happineſs until Time ſhall be no more.

Given under our common Seal this 4th Day of April, Anno Dom. 1727.

The following humble Addreſs of the Biſhop and Clergy of the Dioceſe of Kilmore and Ardagh, has been preſented to His Majeſty by his Excellency the Lord Carteret Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Which Addreſs His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Biſhop and Clergy of the Dioceſe of Kilmore and Ardagh.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects the Biſhop and Clergy of the Dioceſes of Kilmore and Ardagh, beg Leave in the moſt humble Manner to expreſs our grateful Senſe of your Majeſty's great Care and unwearied Pains in ſecuring the Peace and promoting the Welfare of us and all your People, ever ſince your Majeſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of theſe your Kingdoms; and particularly in entring into ſuch Alliances and Meaſures as may diſappoint the Deſigns and Expectations of your Enemies in diſturbing the Tranquility of your Reign; and ſecure to all your Subjects the Advantages of Commerce, which is of the greateſt Conſequence to their Wealth and Proſperity.

We alſo beg Leave to aſſure your Majeſty, that it has been, as it always ſhall be, our conſtant Care to make the People committed to our Charge ſo ſenſible of the many Bleſſings and Advantages which we have all along enjoyed under your Majeſty's moſt auſpicious Reign, by which our Religion and Liberties, and all that is dear and valuable to us, hath been preſerved and ſecured; that it is an eaſy Work for us to inſtill into the Minds of our People the moſt dutiful and loyal Principles of Obedience to your ſacred Majeſty, upon whoſe Safety their Happineſs doth under God intirely depend.

May God, who hath hitherto been graciouſly pleaſed to proſper all your Undertakings for the Good of theſe Kingdoms, and to defeat all the Deſigns and Efforts of your Majeſty's Enemies both at Home and Abroad, continue his Protection over your ſacred Perſon, and make you the happy Inſtrument of ſettling a laſting Peace in theſe your Kingdoms, and in all other Parts of Europe; and that your Majeſty may long live to ſee the bleſſed Fruits of your continued Labours to attain thoſe glorious Ends, ſhall be our conſtant and daily Prayers.

Madrid, May 5, *N. S.* The Advices from the Camp before Gibraltar have been for a long Time ſo diſagreeable, that all Talk about that Siege is generally forborn, as well in this City as at Court. Upon the whole we learn, that our Approaches have been very much retarded, and our Troops extremely incommoded by the great Rains that have fallen of late; that our General Officers continue divided about the Method of carrying on the Siege; and that in the Way it now is, every body, but the Conde de las Torres who takes the whole Direction upon himſelf, gives over all Hopes of ſucceeding in that Enterprize.

Advertiſements.

Newly Publiſh'd,

A Treatiſe of Military Diſcipline; in which is laid down and explained the Duty of the Officer and Soldier, through the ſeveral Branches of the Service. By Humphrey Bland, Eſq; Lieutenant-Colonel of His Majeſty's own Regiment of Horſe. Printed for Sam. Buckley in Amen-Corner; and Sold by James and John Knapton, Rob. Knaplack, Dan. Midwinter, William and John Innys, and Ranew Robinſon in St. Paul's Church-yard; and John Osborn and Thomas Longman in Pater-noſter-row.

WHereas one Gideon Grymes, of Aſhcombe, in the Pariſh of Caundle Marſh, in the County of Dorſet, aged between 40 and 50 Years, about five Foot and a half high, with ſtrait dark Hair, of a thin Countenance, wearing only a ſingle Waſtcoat of a dark Colour, the Man not being in his right Senſes, went away the 1ſt of this Inſtant from the aboveſaid Aſhcombe. Whoever can inform Richard Grymes, living at Aſhcombe aforeſaid, where the ſaid Gideon Grymes is, ſhall be very well rewarded by the ſaid Richard Grymes for the ſame.

JOHN PICARD, Scale-Maker, at the Hand and Scales in Wood-ſtreet, London, continues his Buſineſs and Trade there, notwithſtanding divers falſe Reports have been deſignedly and induſtriouſly ſpread to the contrary; and any Perſons in Town and Country may be there furniſhed with the beſt of Scales and Weights at reaſonable Rates, as formerly.

THE Manſion Houſe and Gardens late of Joſiah Diſton, Eſq; at Epſom in Surrey, will be ſold by Auction on Wedneſday the 17th of this Inſtant May, at Eleven a-Clock in the Forenoon, at Mr. Cooper's, in the Great Piazza, Covent-Garden; where Particulars may be had, and alſo at Baker's Coffee-houſe in Exchange-Alley.

Whereas